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Government that Nadagudi surplus water could not drain into Velappar, as supply in that river could not be controlled to facilitate the drainage of the Nadagudi lands as was reported to the Government in the year 1907; and

(b) considering the fact that a sum of Rs. 3,000 has been collected from the ryots in contravention of Proceedings of the Board of Revenue Mis. No. 2350, dated 14th May 1900, whether the Government have any scheme before them to execute necessary improvements to the drainage of the village entirely at the cost of the Government?

A.—(a) No.

(b) Possible remedies for the defective drainage are under investigation.

Drainage of Nadakudi wet lands.

* 223-B *Q.*—Mr. A. Pl. N. V. NADIMUTHU PILLAI: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state with reference to the answers given to question No. 1023 on 14th March 1932—

(a) whether it is a fact that the Public Works Department has reported to the Government and the Collector of Tanjore (contradicting the report of 1907) that supply in Valappar could not be controlled so as to facilitate the drainage of Nadakudi wet lands;

(b) if so, whether the Government realize that the defects of drainage recognized and promised to be set right as per Mis. No. 2350, dated 14th May 1900, of the Board of Revenue remain in the same condition and are yet to be remedied;

(c) whether the Government are advised that closure of Manalar alone would be adequate for the drainage of Nadakudi wet lands;

(d) whether it is a fact that the Public Works Department Sub-divisional Officer of Nannilam kept Manalar closed during the last rainy season, in spite of which the village of Nadakudi lay submerged;

(e) whether it is a fact that the Public Works Department Officers are daily recording the observations of M.F.L. of Valappar where the present drainage falls;

(f) if so, the result of the observations; and

(g) in the light of the fact that the report of 1907 (on which the Government withdrew the concession in the rate of assessment granted for the lands of the village pending the remedying of the defects of the drainage) has by this time been contradicted both officially and unofficially, whether the Government will make necessary improvements to the drainage entirely at their own cost?

A.—(a) & (b) The answer to (a) is in the negative.

(c) It has been suggested as one of the possible remedies.

(d), (e) & (f) The Government have not the information, but have called for it.

(g) Possible remedies for the defective drainage are under investigation.